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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [037] with the following amended paragraph:

High-speed fixed joint 18 includes a boot 23, which is utilized to enclose grease (not shown) required for lubrication of the high-speed fixed joint 18. The front propshaft 20 in the present invention is manufactured from steel providing a very low run-out and critical speed capacity higher than the second engine order. Front propshaft 20 is operatively connected to constant velocity joint 22 by fasteners 25. Front propshaft 20 has a flange [[27]] (not shown) extending out which is connected to constant velocity joint 22 by fasteners 25. High-speed fixed joint 18 similarly includes a flange 19 extending out that is connected to front propshaft 20 by fasteners.